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Title: Stent and Stent-Graft for Treating Branched Vessels  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Consideration of the above-referenced application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- ☒ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.